WHEREAS, Due to inflation the resources of the State are decreasing and the demands on present Program resources are increasing annually; and

WHEREAS, The delivery of Program benefits and services to individual recipients is frequently delayed; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly of Maryland needs assistance, data, and guidance in establishing guidelines and priorities for present and continued funding and operation of the Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That this body should study the entire Medical Assistance Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the President of the Senate should appoint the following persons to the Commission: two Senators; two Delegates; two representatives from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and from the Department of Human Resources; one representative from the Maryland Hospital Association; two representatives of the medical profession; one representative of the dental profession; one representative of the pharmaceutical community; one representative of the practice of psychiatry; one representative of the insurance industry; one representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield; and two representatives from each of the following nonprofit organizations: senior citizen groups, handicapped groups, and organizations whose primary function is to work with low income citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission should make an interim report to the General Assembly of its findings and recommendations by January, 1981, and should make a final report by January 1982; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable James Clark, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates; and the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland.

Signed May 27, 1980.

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